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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CAL.

Week ended May 15.

Ground squirrels shot.....	72
Rabbits shot.....	1
Gophers killed.....	1
Ground squirrels examined bacteriologically.....	72
Plague squirrels.....	0
Rabbits examined bacteriologically.....	1
Plague rabbits.....	0
Gophers examined bacteriologically.....	1
Plague gophers.....	0
Ranches inspected.....	28
Ranches found free of ground squirrels.....	5
Acres covered with poison.....	65
Poisons placed.....	1, 029½

Report from Seattle, Wash.—Plague-prevention work.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Glover reports May 17:

SEATTLE, WASH.

Date of finding of last plague rat, September 26, 1908.

Week ended May 15, 1909.

Rats received.....	874
Rats necropsied.....	866
Plague rats found.....	0
Plague infected rats to date.....	21

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY, STATES AND CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES—UNTABULATED.

CONNECTICUT—*Bridgeport*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 100,000. Total number of deaths, 110, including diphtheria 2, scarlet fever 3, measles 1, and 22 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 18, enteric fever 3, scarlet fever 24, measles 34, and pulmonary tuberculosis 20.

FLORIDA.—Report from the state board of health of cases of communicable disease for the week ended May 22, 1909, shows as follows: *Diphtheria*.—St. Augustine and Tampa, each 2 cases. *Malaria*.—Jacksonville, 21; Tampa, 13; Mayport, Tallahassee, and Ybor City, each 2 cases; Bartow, Crescent City, Daytona, Manatee, Omega, Panama Park, and Palmetto Beach, each 1 case. *Tuberculosis*.—Bradentown, Christina, Filogia, Jacksonville, Plant City, Santos, and Tampa, each 1 case. *Enteric fever*.—Jacksonville 3, and Tampa 2.

IOWA—*Keokuk*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 16,000. Total number of deaths, 30, including scarlet fever 1, and 3 from tuberculosis. Cases: Scarlet fever 35, diphtheria 1, and measles 21.

MAINE—*Portland*.—Six months ended March 6, 1909. Estimated population, 62,000. Total number of deaths, 451, including diphtheria 2, whooping cough 5, scarlet fever 4, enteric fever 12, and 26 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 50, enteric fever 48, and scarlet fever 77.

MARYLAND—*Baltimore*.—Month of October, 1908. Estimated population, 573,000 (white, 482,000; colored, 91,000). Total number of deaths, 725 (white, 557; colored, 168), including enteric fever 30, scarlet fever 3, whooping cough 4, diphtheria 6, and 103 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 90, scarlet fever 75, whooping cough 7, enteric fever 148, and measles 6. Annual death rate per 1,000: Whole, 14.4; white, 13.02; colored, 21.63.

Month of November, 1908. Total number of deaths, 780 (white, 577; colored, 203), including enteric fever 25, scarlet fever 2, whooping cough 1, diphtheria 3, and 99 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 78, scarlet fever 66, whooping cough 13, enteric fever 91, and measles 61. Annual death rate per 1,000: Whole, 15.7; white, 13.77; colored, 36.97.

Month of December, 1908. Total number of deaths, 799 (white, 603; colored, 196), including enteric fever 10, measles 2, whooping cough 1, diphtheria 11, and 109 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 72, scarlet fever 46, whooping cough 3, enteric fever 62, and measles 87. Annual death rate per 1,000: Whole, 15.83; white, 14.09; colored, 25.05.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Reports from the state board of health for the four weeks ended April 24, 1909. Fifty-three cities and towns reporting, having an aggregate estimated population of 2,363,438, report 3,205 deaths, including diphtheria 35, enteric fever 11, measles 25, and 250 from phthisis pulmonalis. Cases: Diphtheria 512, enteric fever 78, measles 2,148, scarlet fever 657, whooping cough 205, smallpox 2, and phthisis pulmonalis 633.

MINNESOTA—*Minneapolis*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 310,000. Total number of deaths, 284, including diphtheria 6, enteric fever 5, scarlet fever 7, whooping cough 3, and 33 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 45, enteric fever 12, scarlet fever 62, smallpox 16, and tuberculosis 44.

MISSOURI—*Springfield*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 35,000. Total number of deaths, 42, including 5 from tuberculosis. Cases: Scarlet fever 9, and diphtheria 3.

NEW YORK—*New York City*.—Report for the quarter ended March 31, 1909. Estimated population, 4,564,792. Total number of deaths, 19,058, corresponding to an annual death rate of 16.94 per 1,000 of population, including enteric fever 87, smallpox 1, measles 272, scarlet fever 269, whooping cough 67, diphtheria 576, and 2,595 from tuberculosis.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 1,893,810. Reports of state board of health from 87 counties show as follows: Measles in 29 counties, whooping cough in 47 counties, scarlet fever in 23 counties, diphtheria in 23 counties, enteric fever in 25 counties, malarial fever in 6 counties, pernicious malarial fever in

3 counties, hemorrhagic malarial fever in 1 county, and smallpox in 22 counties, viz: Bertie, 1; Caldwell, 90; Cherokee, 1; Craven, 10; Currituck, a few; Duplin, 10; Forsyth, 5; Harnett, 4; Johnston, 16; Jones, 40; Lee, 4; Nash, 3; Onslow, 6; Pasquotank, 17; Perquimans, 3; Pitt, 1; Rowan, 1; Scotland, 6; Wake, 1; Warren, 5; Wayne, 3.

UTAH.—Month of April, 1909. Reports to the state board of health from 27 counties, having an estimated population of 346,873, show as follows: Total number of deaths, 409, including diphtheria 8, whooping cough 13, scarlet fever 15, enteric fever 7, and 8 from tuberculosis. Cases: Diphtheria 56, enteric fever 13, measles 15, scarlet fever 168, smallpox 81, whooping cough 387, and tuberculosis 13 (incomplete).

WASHINGTON—*Spokane*.—Annual report for the year 1908. Total number of deaths 1,245, corresponding to an annual death rate of 10.3 per 1,000 of population, which is estimated at 120,000. The deaths from contagious diseases were: Enteric fever 46, tuberculosis 102, diphtheria 31, scarlet fever 1, smallpox 2, whooping cough 4, and 1 from measles. Cases: Diphtheria 377, scarlet fever 218, measles 111, smallpox 398, enteric fever 142 (incomplete), and tuberculosis 17 (incomplete).

Month of March, 1909. Total number of deaths, 114, including measles 2, scarlet fever 8, diphtheria 2, enteric fever 2, and 6 from tuberculosis. Cases: Smallpox 2, measles 160, scarlet fever 73, diphtheria 26, and enteric fever 2.

Month of April, 1909. Total number of deaths, 137, including scarlet fever 11, diphtheria 2, enteric fever 2, and 9 from tuberculosis. Cases: Smallpox 20, measles 226, scarlet fever 210, and diphtheria 10.

Smallpox in the United States as reported to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, December 26, 1908, to June 4, 1909.

For reports received from June 26, 1908, to December 25, 1908, see PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS for December 25, 1908.

[NOTE.—In accordance with custom, the tables of epidemic diseases are terminated semiannually and new tables begun.]

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Alabama:				
Autauga County.....	Feb. 27-Apr. 5....	11	
Prattville.....	Feb. 27-Apr. 5....	3	
Dallas County.....	Feb. 20-Apr. 12....	12	
Selma.....	Feb. 28-Apr. 12....	26	
Jefferson County—				
Birmingham.....	Mar. 1-May 24....	11	
Mobile County—				
Mobile.....	Jan. 12-Apr. 17....	8	
Montgomery County—				
Montgomery.....	Mar. 13-Apr. 2....	2	
Tuscaloosa County.....				86 cases year 1908.
Total for State.....		71	2	
Arizona:				
Winslow.....	May 1-3.....	1	1	
Total for State.....		1	1	